TRAVANCORE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

FIRST SESSION, 1100.

Tuesday, 10th February, 1925.

(OFFICIAL REPORT.)

The Council met again in the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall at Eleven Thirty-five of the Clock with the President in the Chair.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

[*Order made by the President under Standing Order No. 12*—

(1) Printed copies of the questions and answers to be put and given at a meeting of the Council shall be placed on the Council table 15 minutes before the President takes his seat.

(2) The questions shall be put and answered in the following manner :—

The Secretary shall call the name of each interpellator in serial order, specify the serial number of his questions and make a sufficient pause to allow him a reasonable opportunity of rising in his place, if he is desirous of asking a supplementary question. Supplementary questions must be put immediately after the principal questions to which they relate.]

College of Science.

95. MR. A. HOOGEWERF (*Nominated*): (1) (*a*) Are the Government aware that the Physics Department of the College of Science, which is doing work parallel to the Chemistry Department, has eight hands on its staff, while the latter has only five?

(*b*) Are the Government aware that the staff of the Physics Department is about double of that in St. Joseph's College, Trichinopoly, which is affiliated for Honors also in that subject?

(*c*) Will the Government be pleased to state how many hours of lecturing work each member of the Physics staff has?

(2) (*a*) What functions are the members of the menial staff of the Government, known as gardeners, expected to perform?

(*b*) How many gardeners are attached to the College of Science?

(*c*) Is there any garden in the College of Science worth the name?

(*d*) If the gardeners of the College of Science are not minding the garden, what other work do they do?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (1) (*a*) The present strength of the staff in the Physics and Chemistry Departments is as follows:—

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[Mr. S. Parameswara Aiyar.]

Physics Department.

One Professor.
Two Assistant Professors.
Six Demonstrators.

Chemistry Department.

One Professor.
Two Assistant Professors.
Five Demonstrators.

The work of the Chemistry Department, though parallel to that of the Physics Department, is not equal to it, because Dynamics for the students taking up Mathematics is taught in His Highness the Maha Raja's College of Science by the staff of the Physics Department; and as such, the total number of students who have to be taught by the latter staff is larger.

(*b*) Against a staff composed of 9 members here, the staff of the Physics Department of St. Joseph's College, Trichinopoly, is composed of 3 Professors, 2 Assistant Professors and 5 Demonstrators, making a total of ten. St. Joseph's College is affiliated to the Honors course for the B. A. Degree Examination, but Dynamics is taught there by the Mathematics and not by the Physics Department.

(*c*)

Staff.	No. of hours of lecturing work per week.	No. of hours of practical work per week.	No. of hours for correction of practical note books and of home exercises per week.
1. Mr. S. Ramakrishna Aiyar, Ag. Professor ...	6	7	3
2. ,, V. Sivaramakrishna Aiyar, Assistant Professor ...	5	11	12
3. ,, M. S. Rama Aiyar Ag. Do...	4	11	13
4. ,, R. Srinivasachariar, Demonstrator ...	4	10	15·5
5. ,, P. K. Krishna Pillai ...	2	13	15
6. ,, M. V. Chacko ...	0	15	16
7. ,, N. A. Nilakanta Aiyar ...	0	15	16
8 and 9. Demonstrators (Not filled up.) ...	...	...	...

(2) (*a*) Gardeners in Government offices and institutions keep the buildings and compounds of such offices and institutions clean. They also do the duties of night watchmen.

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(*b*) Ten.

(*c*) and (*d*) They keep the college buildings and compound clean and do menial work in the laboratories. They also do the duties of night watchmen.

Reparation to People who suffered loss on account of Drift Timber in the Pampa River.

96. MR. M. R. MADHAVA VARIAR (*Chengannur* cum *Pattanamtitta*) : Will the Government be pleased to state whether they intend to make any reparation to private owners who were damnified by the impact of trees during the floods at the end of last year ?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : The answer is in the negative.

Castewar Return of Appointments and Roman Catholics.

97. THE REV. FR. KURIAKOSE VETTIKKAPALLI (*Todupuzha* cum *Kunnatnad*) : (*a*) Has a circular been recently addressed to Heads of Departments requiring them to submit to Government a quarterly castewar list of the appointments made by them ?

(*b*) What are the different classes mentioned in the circular according to which the castewar list should be prepared ?

(*c*) Is it a fact that, according to that circular, the Roman Catholic community is not to be considered as a separate body, and, if so, will the Government be pleased to issue orders providing a separate column for the Roman Catholic community in all their castewar lists ?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) The answer is in the affirmative.

(*b*) Brahmins, Nayars, Ezhavas, other Caste Hindus, Christians, Mahomedans and other classes.

(*c*) The answer to the first part is in the affirmative. The question of treating the Catholic community as a separate class is under examination.

Opening of a Magistrate's Court at Parur.

98. MR. A. GOVINDA MENON (*Alangad* cum *Parur*) : Will the Government be pleased to state whether they are aware that considerable hardship is being felt by the people of the Parur taluk owing to the absence of a Magistrate at Parur ?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : The answer is in the negative.

Refusal of Contribution to Madanapalle Tuberculosis Sanatorium.

99. MR. N. PADMANABHA PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether the authorities of the Tuberculosis Sanatorium at Madanapalle applied for pecuniary help from the State ?

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